

City of Milwaukee
Meeting Minutes – DRAFT
BICYCLE & PEDESTRIAN TASK FORCE

Caressa Givens, Chair
Kevin Kuschel (DCD), Vice-Chair
Mitchell Henke, Montavius Jones, Claude Krawczyk,
Nicholas La Joie, Daniel Roufus (MPD), Cinthia Téllez, Andy Tillman

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Wednesday, December 1, 2021	4:30 PM	Virtual Meeting
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1. Meeting commenced at 4:32 PM.

Members Present 5 – Givens, Kuschel, Henke, Jones, Téllez

Members Excused 4 – La Joie, Krawczyk, Roufus, Tillman

Other Attendees 10 – Jill KK (ASL Interpreter), Derrick (ASL Interpreter), Ben Teel (Guest), Nolan Wagner (Guest), Brian Peters (Guest), Mike Amsden (DPW), Robert Schneider (Guest), Roger Retzlaff (Guest), Sally Svetic (Guest), Danitra (Guest)

2. Approval of Minutes from November meeting (2:10)

Motion to approve minutes for November 2021 meeting was approved (Motion: Givens; Second: Jones).

Before moving onto other agenda items, Givens and other members recognized James Hannig and his work as the staff assistant to the Bicycle and Pedestrian Task Force and as part of the Multimodal Unit of DPW and thanked him as he leaves his current position for a new job with the City of Detroit.

Mike Amsden announced he will take over as staff assistant to the Task Force moving forward.

3. Annual Meeting (7:40)

2021 Progress & Accomplishments

Givens went over what the group worked on and achieved in 2021 including: a revisioning process for how the group operates; creating two working groups; revising enabling legislation to become the Bicycle and Pedestrian Advocacy Committee; and submitting letters to increase the budget for the Multimodal Unit.

2022 Officer Elections

The group nominated members for Chair. Jones nominated Givens. Henke nominated Jones. The group unanimously voted Givens as Chair.

The group nominated members for Vice-Chair. Givens nominated Kuschel. Kuschel nominated Téllez. Téllez nominated Jones. The group voted Jones as Vice-Chair. (Jones -4, Kuschel-1, Téllez-0)

2022 Goals

Members came up with goals they want to accomplish in 2022 which included: complete enabling legislation and bylaws; pass a pilot study for snow and ice removal for sidewalks and bike lanes; create a promotional video to increase awareness of the bike and pedestrian realm and showcase possibilities; strengthen relationships with DPW, Wisconsin GLADD, and bike/ped working groups in Milwaukee; take part in more community engagement with youth; communicate more with partnerships the group has developed; and develop a working and positive relationship with Major Projects (DPW).

2022 Meeting Schedule

Members decided to continue the current meeting schedule of the first Wednesday of each month.

4. Update from the Policy & Programs working group (49:40)

Téllez led the group in discussing what activities the Policy & Programs working group should focus on. The group talked about different ideas of how to improve major projects happening in the city. Givens said the group should contact DPW to understand the reasoning behind the “scorecard” used to prioritize projects using ARPA funding to make that process more official. The Policy & Programs working group decided to meet bi-monthly moving forward.

5. Adjourn (1:30:00)

Meeting adjourned at 5:34 PM (Motion: Givens; Second: Jones)

A recording of the meeting can be viewed here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=bhujqu6YoZ4>

*James Hannig
Staff Assistant*

*Will Fenner
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